

might have made a better man than his father.



“ Being of a very quarrellsome temper, he was often served as you here see, and got many a sound drubbing by several boys like himself. Though it must be observed, that boys of a bad temper

are generally more abusive with their tongues than they are fond of fighting, being for the most part cowards. This little boy had also a dog, who had learned as many bad tricks of him as he had of his father : so that the father, the son, and his dog, were considered as little better than three brutes, and all equally despised by the neighbours.

He was one morning going abroad with his dog Lion, for such was the animal's name, when he met a sweet little boy going to school eating a bit of bread and butter, and having his dinner in his basket. Lion immediately run up to the little boy, who, frightened out of his wits, threw the bread and butter to the dog, crying out to the naughty boy to call off his dog ; but, instead of so doing, he pointed to the basket which hung upon the little boy's arm, and said, “ Seize it, Lion !” when the dog